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SUBJECT: TURKISH DISASTER RELIEF

1. IN A CANVASS OF SELECTED EMBASSIES DURING MORNING OF SEPT. 11, WE LEARNED THAT MOST OF THE COUNTRIES THEY REPRESENT HAD MADE OFFERS TO ASSIST TURKEY BUT THAT THEY WERE WAITING FOR SUGGESTIONS FROM THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT CONCERNING WHAT KIND OF ASSISTANCE WAS REQUIRED. MOST OF THEM WERE STILL WAITING AS OF THIS MORNING.

2. SPECIFICALLY, HOWEVER, WE LEARNED THAT ON THE SECOND DAY

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FOLLOWING THE DISASTER, IRAN SENT IN TWO AIRCRAFT LOADED WITH

BLANKETS, MEDICAL AND OTHER APPROPRIATE SUPPLIES TO THE DISASTER AREA. THE JAPANESE RED CROSS CONTRIBUTED ABOUT \$7,000 TO THE TURKISH RED CRESCENT; THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS DONE NOTHING AS YET. GERMAN RED CROSS SENT IN 1,000 TWO-MAN TENTS, AND GERMAN GOVERNMENT STILL WAITING. THE NETHERLANDS GOVERNMENT IS MAKING A \$408,000 (ONE MILLION FLORINS) CONTRIBUTION TO THE GOVERNMENT OF TURKEY AND THE DUTCH RED CROSS HAS CONTRIBUTED \$20,500 (FIFTY THOUSAND FLORINS) TO THE TURKISH RED CRESCENT. THE CANADIAN EMBASSY HERE HAS REQUESTED INSTRUCTIONS FROM OTTAWA AND THE FRENCH EMBASSY MADE AN OFFER TO FURNISH ASSISTANCE BUT IS STILL AWAITING WORD FROM TURKISH AUTHORITIES. THE FRENCH HAVE DONE NOTHING AS YET. THE BRITISH EMBASSY LIKewise MADE AN OFFER TO ASSIST BUT HAD BEEN TOLD THAT THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT HAD NOT RPT NOT DETERMINED NEEDS. THE BRITISH EXPECT THAT SOMETHING WILL ALSO BE DONE THROUGH THE BRITISH RED CROSS. SENIOR BRITISH EMBASSY OFFICIAL SAID FURTHER THAT THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF CENTO, BAYULKEN, HAD SUGGESTED THAT PERHAPS IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR CENTO TO DO SOMETHING. FINALLY, UN ORGANIZATIONS IN TURKEY HAVE DONE NOTHING AS YET. KIZILAY SOURCE REPORTS IRAQ HAS CONTRIBUTED BLANKETS AND CLOTHING.
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